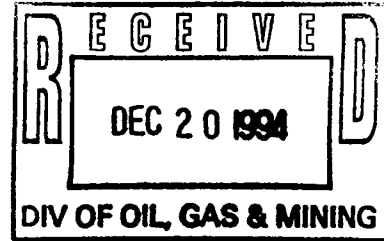


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Ref: Letter to me Nov. 14, 1994, Vipont Mine Road Criticism

In our phone conversation November 21, you bluntly informed me that you had every right to trespass on my private property when you were on the Vipont private roads and environs November 9 with your other government people. This, in spite of the fact that you had been forewarned not to, and the property was posted with No Trespassing signs.

My stand is that you and your colleagues knowingly criminally trespassed on private land Nov. 9 and broke the law.

Over the years, I have been robbed and vandalized numerous times, and just recently the shop was vandalized at a cost to me in excess of \$5,000. I don't trust anyone--especially government employees--on my property.

Allegations made by you are completely unfounded and without substance. You stated to me in the phone conversation that the visit was the first to the mine area, but in your letter your remarks are made like you are a long-time authority on the access road, when in truth, your supposed facts are baseless and false.

The Vipont has had the road right-of-way established well over 115 years ago. I have maintained the road extensively since 1977 by using Catapillar, loader, and grader, with major improvements done in 1977. Prior to that time, the old road, for the most part, had been maintained by Cassia Co. highway department, 6' to 30' wide, and was upgraded to about two grader widths, or about 32', except in the narrows, or rocky points.

I have not graded or upgraded the road recently, and due to violent cloud bursts, bank sloughing caused by erosion and livestock tromping in the banks, and large rocks in the road, it was nearly impassable in spots.

The common-sense thing for me to do was to try to get the road into the same good shape that I had it in before. This constituted about 90% of the recent Cat. work. The other 10% was mainly in road improvements.

I have done substantial road improvements six times or more over the years, and graded the road about 50 times with my 16' wide road grader. I have never had a problem with anyone or government agency over the years. No one else since 1977 has put any time or money into the seven-mile road from Goose Creek to the mine.

Incidentally, I have not mined nor had any major exploration activity since 1988. However, cattle have been grazed on the property. I also have many private things stored on the property, which I try to protect from trespassers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas F. Miller".

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